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Green Building Services Helps Legislators Find Crossover in Historic Preservation and Sustainable Practices

Portland, Ore. (April 14, 2009) — [Green Building Services Inc.](#) (GBS) Principal [Ralph DiNola](#) joins top officials from the National Trust for Historic Preservation to present the principles of sustainable preservation at a briefing on Capitol Hill Wednesday, April 15. The High Performance Buildings Congressional Caucus and the Historic Preservation Caucus will attend the joint meeting.

With the real estate market shifting to building rehabilitation and remodels, DiNola says that historic buildings are an important sector for green renovations. “Despite misconceptions, historic buildings are statistically good performers and synergies exist between preservation and green building,” he explains. “I’m really excited to see Congress and the federal government willing to uncover possibilities in sustainable preservation and I look forward to the dialogue between these caucuses.”

The briefing, “High Performance Historic Buildings,” will highlight the inherently green characteristics of historic buildings and take a look at how to incorporate new technology and products in preservation projects. As part of his presentation, DiNola will share the methodology GBS developed for sustainable rehabilitations. He will draw from numerous case studies including the Gerding Theater and the new Mercy Corp World Headquarters that GBS facilitated to demonstrate how green building practices can be artfully integrated into historic buildings.

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